

ORGANIZED AT REMBERT.

Miss Lemmon Forms Home Demonstration, Canning and Poultry Clubs in One Day.

Miss Mary Lemmon, home demonstration agent for Sumter county, met with splendid success yesterday at the organization in one day of a home demonstration club, a canning and tomato club, and a poultry club.

These three clubs with the domestic science club already in existence at that place will stimulate interest in the live at home plans of the people of that progressive and intelligent section of Sumter county, and will be the means of making the homes more economical, efficient, beautiful, and attractive.

The ladies and pupils, and a number of boys in goodly numbers were at the organization meeting, and manifested keen interest in the details of the organization.

The names of the officers elected for the new clubs will be given out at an early date.

MEETING TO BREAK RECORDS.

Many Teachers Expected to Gather in Columbia This Week.

Columbia, March 11.—Columbia is ready to entertain the greatest meeting of the State Teachers' Association ever held. For weeks the various committees have been at work getting everything into readiness. President Wm. C. Bynum of Georgetown has arranged a very strong program. Three of the principal speakers will be Dr. J. D. Claxton, of Washington; Dr. J. D. Eggleston, of Blacksburg, Va.; Dr. Chas. A. McMurry of George Peabody College for Teachers; Dr. Lawton B. Evans, superintendent of schools, Augusta.

Scores of the teachers will visit the Columbia schools Thursday morning. The department meetings will be held Thursday afternoon while the first general session will be held Thursday evening. Dr. Claxton will address the association Thursday evening.

An important meeting of the Council of Delegates will be held Thursday afternoon 3 o'clock. This council has charge of the business of the association.

Twelve colleges will hold reunions during the convention. This will be one of the enjoyable features. The University of South Carolina will give a reception on Friday afternoon.

Perhaps the best part of the program will be the practical programs to be carried out in the 15 department meetings.

FIELD DAY IN APRIL.

Dates Announced for Celebration in Manning.

Manning, March 10.—The committee appointed at the recent meeting of the Clarendon County Teachers' association to arrange a programme for field day has announced the dates agreed upon as Thursday night, April 12, and Friday, April 13. The declaration contests for pupils over 15 years of age will be held Thursday night and like contests for pupils between 10 and 15 years will take place from 10 to 11 o'clock Friday morning.

MARLBORO AWAKE TO MENACE.

Columbia, March 11.—W. W. Long, State farm demonstration agent, was in Columbia yesterday, returning from Clio in Marlboro county, where he addressed a large group of farmers Friday night on the prospective invasion of the boll weevil. Although far removed from the immediately threatened zone, farmers of Marlboro county, Mr. Long says, are as keenly interested in withstanding the invasion of this disastrous pest as he has found in the border counties where the weevil is expected to invade next year. Mr. Long is pleased with the spirit of cooperation he finds over the State.

"There is a silent but concrete effort to meet the conditions," he said. "They are not making any fuss and feathers over the situation, but a few of the leading farmers in every community are taking the initiative and are getting the most conservative in line." Mr. Long expects to influence these leaders to permeate the rural districts wherever cotton is grown.

One way of meeting the boll weevil is the proposition of creamery route establishment. The complete report of the first month of the new year for the Darlington county route was maintained in a district which was swept by severe storms last summer, in consequence of which little forage was harvested. "Too, we got this result in the month when feed had reached their highest costs," Mr. Long pointed out.

TO FIGHT WHITE PLAGUE.

South Carolina Anti-Tuberculosis Association to Be Organized at Meeting to be Held in Columbia March 13th.

Columbia, March 11.—South Carolina is to have a State anti-Tuberculosis Association which will start an intensive campaign against the white plague, according to announcement made today at the office of the State Red Cross Seal Commission.

The organization meeting will be held in the Y. M. C. A., Columbia, on Tuesday, March 13th at 8:30 p. m. A constitution and by-laws will be adopted and officers elected. Several prominent speakers have consented to be present and address the meeting. Frederick D. Hopkins, field secretary of the National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis, is in Columbia assisting in the formation of the new association.

The Red Cross Seal Commission has acted as State agent for the Red Cross Christmas Seals for the past four years. The money received has enabled several communities to carry on anti-tuberculosis work. It has also resulted in the collection of a small fund to start the permanent State association. One of the objects of the new society will be the dissemination of knowledge concerning causes, treatment, and prevention of tuberculosis. It is hoped also to organize an anti-tuberculosis committee or association in every county throughout the State where some local society is not at present doing tuberculosis and other public health work.

The members of the Red Cross Seal Commission, which is acting as the organizing body for the new association, are: Jas. H. Fowles, chairman; Miss Elizabeth Sumner, executive secretary; Dr. Sarah C. Allan, Mrs. J. M. Visnaska, Charleston; M. H. White, Chester; Dr. C. Fred Williams, Mrs. T. H. Fisher, Miss Julie Heywards, Prof. Reed Smith, Columbia; Mrs. H. K. Sturdivant, Greenville; Dr. L. Rosa H. Gantt, Spartanburg; Mrs. Nina Solomons, Sumter.

WOULD VOTE ON TREATY.

Senator Martin Announces That Payment Bill to Panama Will be Offered at Special Session.

Washington, March 12.—Senator Martin announced in the Democratic caucus that an effort will be made to get a vote at the special session of the treaty with Colombia, providing for the paying of fifteen million dollars for the partition of Panama. It is understood that the announcement reflected the president's wishes.

WOULD MOBILIZE NAVY.

Naval Officers Call for Gathering of Entire Fighting Strength.

Washington, March 12.—Naval officers have recommended a complete mobilization of the fighting strength of the navy. The approval of President Wilson is necessary before the orders are sent out assembling the naval militia, calling out reserves and releasing officers on shore duty. The immediate graduation of the first class at Annapolis is included in the plan to make up as far as possible the threatened shortage of officers.

FRENCH SHIP ARMED.

Washington, March 12.—The State department today gave permission for the clearance of the French liner Rochambeau, the first belligerent merchantman arriving in an American harbor with a gun mounted, on board and aft. The department ruled that merchantmen are entitled to take steps for adequate protection.

The Telephone Coward.

To speak to a telephone operator like speaking in the dark to a stranger. In such a situation courtesy would seem to be the first rule of the road. Unfortunately, courtesy is no invariably the tone which people employ with telephone operators.

During one of the national conventions something went wrong with the wires; messages were delayed and mixed; offices and correspondents were losing their tempers. In the midst of it James Morgan, with the imperturbable good humor of his, sent back to the Boston Globe a telegram bearing merely the words that were born in the dance hall of a Western mining town:

"Don't shoot the pianist. He is doing the best he can."

Don't bully the telephone operator. He is doing the best she can. If she were not she would not be where she is. Being a telephone operator is these busy days is no sinecure.

The silliest place to lose one's temper is into a transmitter. It is the most cowardly place, also. To abuse a telephone operator (who is a long way off, a woman and an employee, is about as heroic sport as shooting robins. The operator cannot get her ornament discharged. She cannot even answer back. Discipline forbids.—Boston Globe.

MDANIEL DENIES CHARGE.

Union County Farmer Brought Before United States Commissioner on Serious Allegation.

Union, March 10.—Sims McDaniel, a prominent farmer of this county, was brought before John Gilbert, United States commissioner at Union today by Deputy United States Marshall J. L. Adams, on a charge of violating the Mann white slave law. McDaniel gave bond in the sum of \$2,000 for appearance at Lynchburg, Va., March 13. His bondsmen are: R. A. Jones, C. A. Jeter and I. Frank Peake. When brought before the commissioner McDaniel entered a plea of not guilty.

WILSON'S WORDS CHEER FRANCE.

Country Encouraged by American Declaration of Ideals.

Paris, March 11.—"President Wilson's declarations of American policy have been a moral refreshment to France," said Albert Thomas, minister of munitions to the Associated Press today. "America comes forward toward the end of the war with the assertion of ideals, of which the European peoples, amid all the strain of combat, of hatred, of sufferings, of determination for specific national aims need to be reminded."

France has been stimulated, cheered and supported by President Wilson's message to congress and by his inaugural address.

"What do you think are the immediate effects of the American rupture with Germany?" he was asked. "The hour that America is actually in the war" replied the minister, the flow of supplies will be resumed at full tide and essential credits will be easy. That is the way it would seem now."

"The active cooperation of the United States in submarine chasing in transport and in the supply of material and money would contribute enormously to shortening the war," said M. Thomas and he added: "It would be an inspiration for France to have an American contingent fighting on this side."

NOTICE OF ARMING.

State Department Sends Out Notice of Arming Merchantmen.

Washington, March 12.—Formal notice that American ships traversing German submarine zone are to carry armed guard for the protection of the vessel and the lives of persons aboard has been sent to the foreign embassies and legations here by the State department. The notice declared that the United States government determined on this "in view of the announcement of the Imperial German government on January 31st that all ships, those of neutrals included, met with in certain zones, would be sunk without warning."

The notification will be sent to Germany through the Swiss legation.

Civic League Notes.

The Civic League has been long criticized because of the seeming fact that so little has been accomplished in the department of Civic Improvement—that is the beautifying of the city. It is claimed that many unsightly places in the town should have been taken in hand by the league and improved. It is true that no one spot shows great achievement along this line, but on the whole the charge is an unjust one. To do this work extensively two things are necessary. Money and cooperation, and in this particular work we have had little of either at our disposal. In several instances where owners of unkempt, untidy lots were asked to improve such property, or to allow the league to do so, they have refused to acquiesce in either place. Notwithstanding these two barriers, however, it must be admitted by the far-sighted person that the appearance of Sumter on the whole, has improved wonderfully these past few years. To those who return after an absence of some time the general improvement of the town is striking. The removal of ragged fences, planting of lawns and gardens, better care of the trees and appearance of the homes, all have a telling effect and we know that the persistent efforts put forth by the League, through the various channels of lectures, public and private appeals, endeavoring to keep always before the people that the clean and sanitary city goes far toward becoming a city beautiful that a spirit of civic pride has been awakened. Now that our streets have been paved and graded so well, it will be easier to accomplish more and with the beautiful spring season opening for us, when nature seems to be calling on us to remove the debris of the fall and winter, to make ready our places for the wonderful beauties she holds a store for us, if we will only prepare the way for her. We hope to have splendid results, and the most successful year's work.

CHINA AGAINST GERMANY.

House of Representatives Approves of Foreign Policy Including Rupture With Germany.

London, March 12.—A Pekin dispatch says the house of representatives at a recent session approved the government's foreign policy, including the rupture with Germany.

CAROLINA ORATORS TO SPEAK.

University Representative for State Contests to be Selected This Evening.

Columbia, March 12.—The preliminary contest to select a representative from the University of South Carolina for the State oratorical contest to be held at Rock Hill in the spring, will be held this evening in the university chapel, beginning at 8:30 o'clock. Six competitors are to be heard, three from each of the literary societies. The contestants are: Euphradian, E. P. Hodges, C. D. Brearley and T. K. Collier; Claretos, Swift Tyler, W. C. Mann and R. H. Harley. A special programme of music has been prepared. Miss Marion Salley of Columbia college will give a vocal solo and Schumacher's orchestra will play several numbers during the evening. J. H. Bouwmeester will act as chief marshal, assisted by Robert Moorman, Jr., W. O. Prioleau, H. J. Blackmon and Wadda Duncan.

TO ARRIVE FROM BERLIN.

W. C. Dreher and Family, With Ambassadorial Staff, Safe in Cuba.

Columbia, March 12.—W. C. Dreher and family, who left Berlin last month along with Ambassador Gerard and 200 other Americans when diplomatic relations between the United States and Germany were severed, will arrive in Columbia tomorrow night. E. S. Dreher, a brother, was advised early last night that the party had arrived safely in Habana, Cuba and would come to Columbia Tuesday. He expects to divide his time in the immediate future with his brother in Columbia and the family home in Lexington county. Mr. Dreher has been with the Associated Press in Germany for 15 years.

BOYS ON WAY HOME.

Telegram from Capt. Brown Conveys Information of Move.

A telegram from Capt. Robert T. Brown of Company L, National Guard of South Carolina, received today at the Chamber of Commerce states: "On the way. Eating breakfast. Will wire again today." Signed Capt. Brown. The telegram is sent from Schulenberg, Texas, and came in about 2 o'clock.

Gov. Manning has called his staff to meet in Columbia on Friday, where the Second regiment will be reviewed by the governor at a big parade to be given.

Gerard Comes Home.

Havana, March 12.—Former Ambassador Gerard and party of fifty-four sailed for Key West at 10:45.

Adamson Decision Withheld.

Washington, March 12.—The decision on the Adamson law was again withheld by the Supreme Court.

REPORT

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COUNTY SUPERVISOR'S OFFICE, SUMTER COUNTY.

Roads and Bridges.

C. E. Dunlap, laborers,	\$18.10
W. A. James, rpg. road,	12.45
T. J. DuBoise, lumber,	224.64
H. S. Nesbitt, rpg. road,	12.45
Geo. Johnson, lumber,	25.49
Ernest Wilson, rpg. bridge,	2.50
Cooper, dragging,	10.00
Near Spain, rpg. road,	13.25
Southwell, lumber,	19.08
J. R. Dew, dragging,	31.25
A. A. Reames, dragging,	1.00
F. A. Anderson, cutting tree,	1.00
C. A. Brunson, cutting tree,	1.00
Munson McLeod, rpg. bridge,	3.50
C. A. Jenkins, rpg. road,	6.00
A. L. Groves, rpg. bridge,	2.00
Rayburn Purrows, rpg. road,	1.00
F. M. Coulter, cutting tree,	1.00
J. P. Richardson, rpg. bridge,	1.00
Alex Sessions, cutting tree,	1.00
C. E. Dunlap, laborers,	22.75
Robert Anderson, cutting tree,	1.00
L. J. Newman, lumber,	12.50
C. L. Dickey, rpg. road,	1.00
Jane Micks, rpg. road,	59.20
H. T. Edens, rpg. road,	1.70
J. H. & L. W. Warren, lumber,	21.41
Nease Montgomery, lumber,	1.00
J. H. Jones, rpg. road,	2.00
Edward Duffant, rpg. road,	2.00
C. E. Dunlap, laborers,	22.50
	\$557.59

Fees and Salaries.

R. E. Wilder, auditor,	44.44
B. C. Wallace, treasurer,	44.44
H. L. Scarborough, Ck. Court,	33.33
J. K. Bradford, Sheriff,	183.33
W. J. Seale, Coroner,	41.66
J. H. Haynsworth, Spt. Edu.,	125.00
L. E. White, Supervisor,	141.66
C. M. Hord, Ck. Co. Com.,	100.00
F. L. Player, Mag.,	16.66
T. DesChamps, Mag.,	52.08
L. A. Hodre, Mag.,	16.66
W. J. Rees, Mag.,	37.50
H. L. Burkette, Mag.,	29.16
J. L. Gillis, Mag.,	16.66
J. P. Plummer, Constable,	16.66

Chas. Richardson, Con.,	16.66
Hazell Boykin, Con.,	30.00
J. F. Hodge, Con.,	16.66
J. H. Seale, Constable,	25.00
James Reames, Con.,	20.00
W. E. McBride, R. Policeman,	16.66
H. B. Boykin, R. Policeman,	\$3.33
Alex Norris, R. Policeman,	\$3.33
Sam Newman, R. Policeman,	\$3.33
J. H. Holland, Supt. C. G.,	\$3.33
J. L. Nunamaker, Guard,	45.00
W. M. Strange, Guard,	45.00
J. A. Baker, Guard,	45.00
C. F. Barksdale, Spt. Serp. Div.,	60.00
C. E. Dunlap, Spt. Flt. Gang,	40.00
L. E. Jennings, Attorney,	12.50
E. E. Rembert, Assessor,	6.00
D. W. Owens, Jailer,	28.33
George Holmes, Janitor,	30.00
	1,774.36

Alms House and Poor.

Carolina Furniture Co., rocker,	\$27.50
A. H. Hurst, mattresses, etc.,	26.00
Mrs. Cleo Turner, appropriation,	8.00
J. P. Commander, wood,	1.00
O'Donnell & Co., dry goods,	22.91
Mrs. M. J. Walker, Appr.,	8.00
Mrs. John Langston, Appr.,	8.00
Mrs. M. J. Pate, Appr.,	5.00
Mrs. Annabelle McElvene, Appr.,	3.00
Sam Franklin, transportation,	.75
W. N. Hammett, wood,	4.50
Mrs. B. D. Mitchell, diet act.,	186.50
	\$276.41

Chain Gang.

Austin Bros. axles, etc.,	\$28.08
Est. W. A. Green, hay,	20.26
Carolina Grocery, groceries,	12.95
G. H. Hurst, collin,	6.50
Warren Burgess, peas,	4.00
W. B. Boyce Co., corn, etc.,	\$3.16
Bulman Shoe Co., shoes,	4.00
Purns & Son, tools, etc.,	21.15
Citizens' Meat Market, beef,	3.50
Duliant Hdw. Co., tools, etc.,	8.70
L. W. Polson, clock,	1.25
Moses Green, corn, etc.,	80.13
Harby & Co., potatoes, etc.,	6.70
O'Donnell D. Gds. Co. boots,	6.00
Geo. D. Shore & Bro. oats,	75.00
J. J. Whilden, repairs,	68.85
J. R. Wingate, shoeing mules,	2.00
City of Sumter, wood,	1.50
E. W. Hurst, corn, etc.,	39.77
S. M. Farabow, freight, etc.,	1.77
Sou. Atl. Distbg. Co., corn,	125.00
W. Y. Spann, groceries,	6.50
E. F. Leach, shoes,	128.40
J. A. Baker, potatoes,	3.75
B. Sanders, potatoes,	8.50
Sou. Atl. Distbg. Co. oats,	70.56
J. R. Wingate, repairs,	13.75
	\$911.29

Public Buildings.

Dixie Electric Co., lamps,	\$5.87
Sumter Telephone Co., phones,	14.50
City of Sumter, water,	16.00
C. W. Smith & Co., drayage,	26.00
Sumter Lighting Co., lights,	37.50
S. M. Farabow, drayage,	.25
Wm. Singleton, lawn signs,	2.00
Jeff McFaddin, wood,	1.00
Jas. Scott, keeping lawn,	7.50
	\$104.62

Jail.

Burns & Son, brooms, etc.,	\$3.15
Dixie Electric Co., lamp,	1.00
Duliant Hdw. Co., wash pot,	5.00
Boislee & Co., rpg. pipe,	3.50
O'Donnell Dry G. Co. blankets,	10.50
City of Sumter, water,	41.15
J. K. Bradford, groceries,	66.96
D. W. Owens, peas,	.55
C. W. Smith & Co. drayage,	5.50
Sumter Lighting Co., lights,	6.30
S. M. Farabow, drayage,	.25
D. W. Owens, cook,	10.00
	\$154.26

Contingent.

Miss Mary Lemmon, Appr.,	\$150.00
Globe Printing Co., records,	12.00
Osteen Pub. Co., printing,	7.50
Globe Printing Co., printing,	3.00
G. F. Epperson, gasoline, etc.,	18.21
Jenkins Spring Co., auto parts,	2.64
M. S. Kirk, Inquest,	5.00
E. G. Scarborough, ribbon,	.77
Sumter R. R. & L. Co. bond,	500.00
W. U. Tel. Co., messages,	2.24
J. J. Geddings, transportation,	3.95
J. K. Bradford, transportation,	19.00
Dr. W. H. Burgess, lunacy fees,	10.00
Dr. C. E. King, lunacy fees,	5.00
Knight Bros., printing, etc.,	87.45
Dr. C. W. Maxwell, lunacy fee,	5.00
Dr. J. H. Mills, lunacy fee,	5.00
Dr. W. Owens, transportation,	1.25
A. A. Reames, transportation,	3.30
T. E. Richardson, lunacy fees,	etc.
	30.50
Dr. M. L. Parler, statistics,	35.25
W. J. McKagen, statistics,	127.50
Dr. W. S. Burgess, lunacy fees,	10.00
Dr. W. Owens, statistics,	51.50
W. G. Thomas, statistics,	49.75
Benjamin Sanders, statistics,	48.00
Dr. C. B. Epps, statistics,	127.00
Ralph Hill, auto tire,	12.12
S. P. Kolb, statistics,	55.50
Dr. B. McLaughlin, statistics,	57.25
B. McElvene, statistics,	40.75
R. M. Coulter, statistics,	8.00
Rescue Orphanage, 7 children,	35.00
	\$1,500.00

Sumter Telephone Co., messages,	3.95
J. H. Seale, transportation,	3.00
Walker, Evans & Cogswell,	blank,
Burroughs Add. Mch. Co. ribbon,	44.57
G. D. Barnard & Co. records,	278.76
Miss Antonio Gibson, nurse,	10.00
Dr. B. McLaughlin, inquest fee,	5.00
Dr. W. E. Mills, autopsy,	10.00
	\$1,434.79

Ex-Confederate Veterans.

W. H. Browder,	
H. J. Morris,	
H. N. Idol,	
T. W. Pritchard,	
J. J. P. Lawrence,	
J. M. Geddings,	
W. J. Ardis,	
Abram Ardis,	
W. J. Atkinson,	
Sumter Belk,	
Tom Benenbaly,	
D. H. Boykin,	
M. H. Boykin,	
S. J. Brown,	
R. T. Brown,	
B. S. Brown,	
B. M. Powell,	
W. J. Brunson,	
P. W. Burgess,	
T. C. Compton,	
W. H. Cook,	
F. N. Dean,	
M. Dority,	
J. F. Floyd,	
J. S. Geddings,	
J. A. Gillis,	
T. J. Holliday,	
J. A. Lawrence,	
W. R. Mackey,	
T. S. McElvene,	
Cornelius McLaughlin,	
J. D. Neill,	
J. D. Pace,	
R. W. Partin,	
R. M. Rogers,	
E. L. Sanders,	
G. W. Scott,	
H. M. Spann,	
R. H. Thames,	
J. G. Tisdale,	
John Turner,	
A. H. Weeks,	
A. W. Weldon,	
I. P. Windham,	
W. M. Butler,	
J. W. Thompson,	
R. T. McLeod,	
J. C. McKinney,	
J. W. Hudson,	
J. A. M. Carroway,	

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